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March 15, 2004

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Dear Sir:

- 1) This is a petition for an extension of one (1) month to be added to the original term of three months for responding to the Office Action mailed on: November 14, 2003. **Filing the Response on Monday, March 15, 2004 with this one month Term Extension is timely because March 14, 2004 was a Sunday.**
- 2) Applicant is a Large Entity. Fee Payment: \$110.00 (Large Entity). Our Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is enclosed to cover the extension fee. Any fee deficiency or additional fee may be charged to Deposit Account 50-0507.
- 3) A Response is being filed simultaneously herewith.


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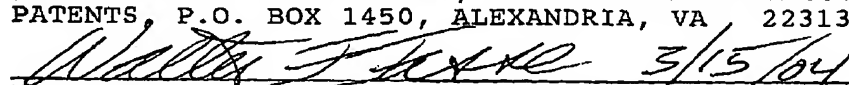
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